

Weekly Bulletin

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A Welcoming Congregation

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CREATE COMMUNITY

First-time attendees eat free at Wednesday evening dinner:

Join us in the Social Hall at 6 p.m. every week for a catered dinner served with vegetarian, carnivore and gluten free alternatives. If you haven't tried it yet, you eat free! Costs to help cover expenses are \$8-adults, \$5-children, with family rates available. All are invited to share the meal whether you can pay or not. Grace will be offered before the meal. *If you can help to clean up the kitchen after the meal, may eat for free.* Email wnd@TheFUUN.org.

Trans Affirming Collective seeks to empower congregation:

The Trans Affirming Collective is a group of trans and gender expansive people and allies who come together to help FUUN affirm community members of all gender identities. We envision a future where transgender and gender expansive people will feel comfortable being themselves on our campus. We meet monthly, on **second Wednesday evenings**, from 7-8:30 p.m. If you are interested in learning more, or joining us to further this vision, please contact us at trans@TheFUUN.org.
-Mary Early-Zald, Holling Smith-Borne, and Josh Robern

NURTURE SPIRITUAL GROWTH

FUUN members and friends can help FUUN Prison Ministries by volunteering as musicians, participants in services, teaching classes, and yes, please, donating money to help fund these services which keep religious liberty alive behind bars. For more information, contact Prison Ministries Chair **Edie White**, Pr. Rev., prisonministry@thefuun.org.

Faith Development Offerings: See thefuun.org/faith-dev-current-offerings/ for details on Covenant Groups, Nonviolent Communication Practice Group sessions and current Faith Development class offerings.

Volunteer Initiative: In order to streamline volunteer opportunities, we are asking all committee chairs to email immediate volunteer opportunities to volunteer@thefuun.org.

Chalice Fire Ritual Practice Group

meets the **first and third Thursdays of each month**, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Thoreau Room. In this group, we take a moment to notice what could use a little extra attention and focus in our lives, and then use simple rituals of intention to address it together. This is an open group that welcomes adults at all levels of experience. Childcare is available in the nursery. Suggested donation \$1.

See thefuun.org/chalice-fire-ritual-practice-group/

-Chelsea Henry, Chalice Fire



Saving Paper: We encourage each household to take home a copy of our Weekly Bulletin. If you attend the first service, we have placed a basket at the back of the sanctuary for you to place *extra* copies to be reused for the second service. You may also find this and past copies of this bulletin on our website at thefuun.org/bulletin/. They are posted on Fridays.

For more FUUN activities,
see thefuun.org/church-calendar/

Our Mid-Year Congregational Meeting is

Sunday,
Jan. 29,
12:30 p.m.
in

the sanctuary.

Childcare will be provided.

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January 29 2017 | 12:30 p.m.
Sanctuary

On The Agenda:

- ⇒ Transition Innovation Team Report
- ⇒ Strategic Planning Report
- ⇒ Endowment Trust Report
- ⇒ Updated Budget Report
- ⇒ Approval of Meghann's Ordination

ACT ON OUR VALUES



Martin Luther King Sunday Screening of "13TH"
 Sunday, Jan. 15, 2 - 4:30 p.m. The West Nashville Clergy Group hosts a screening of the movie "13TH" with panel discussion to follow at Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, 5820 Hillsboro Pike, 37215. See thefuun.org/13th/ or our newsletter for more information.

MLK March on Jefferson St., Jan. 16: Join Beloved Community for the 10 a.m. march from the Jefferson Street Baptist Church to TSU's Gentry Center on Monday, Jan. 16. Anyone who is interested can meet at church before the march to carpool over to the Baptist church. Questions about Beloved Community at FUUN? Contact **Emily Green-Cain** at 615-449-8514 or email beloved@thefuun.org. We hope to see you there.



Our Room In The Inn action team needs your help!

We still have plenty of openings for this year. Here are some great reasons to get involved.

- It is very rewarding work.
- Most jobs require only 2-3 hours.
- Most jobs do not require you to spend the night.
- You can sign up once, or several times.
- You will be helping our congregation continue this important work.

Please visit us at the Social Justice table to see how you can help. Written instructions are available for each job and you will be working with a team. If you have any questions please email socialjustice@thefuun.org. Thank you to all of you who already volunteer.

-Scott Weaver, RITI Action Team

Tickets are on sale now in the Social Hall for Habitat Fundraiser, Saturday, Feb. 11. Join us for a night of fun, food, art and entertainment. Our Valentine Fundraiser will raise the money for our contribution to the 2017 Fall Habitat Build. We earn one volunteer spot for each \$300 we raise. Tickets will be \$25 each and will be available until we sell out. Bring your sweetie, a friend or your own sweet self and have a fun filled evening with your UU friends while donating to a terrific cause. Help us continue our commitment to making a difference in the lives of another deserving family.



Attention FUUN artists: Last year, our art auction raised over \$1,000! Artists and crafters, please be thinking about donating a piece of art as part of this program to help a worthy family. Contact us at habitat@thefuun.org with questions and donations.

Silent Auction Baskets: We welcome donations of creative baskets for our auction this year. For ex, we have a "movie night basket" and a "cozy night in with hot cocoa and blanket" basket.

-Carleen Dowell and Suzanne LeBeau, Habitat Action Team coordinators, habitat@thefuun.org.

Accepting Endowment Grant Applications until Mar. 31, 2017: Each spring, FUUN's Trustees consider allocating endowment funds to special projects that further the principles of Unitarian Universalism and the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Nashville. See thefuun.org/endowment-trust/ for details.



Special Requests from the Herb & Craft Fair Committee:

- 1) We are looking for men's neckties. Please drop them in the box in the Social Hall.
 - 2) We are looking for people who knit and/or crochet.
- Please contact the committee for details on how your skills can be put to use for the Herb & Craft Fair.

Thank you for supporting the Herb & Craft Fair. Contact the committee at herbfair@firstuunashville.org.

-Emily Cathcart, Herb & Craft Fair Committee